

REMARKS

In the above-mentioned Office Action, the Examiner entered restriction requirement requiring the applicant to elect, for further prosecution, the claims of Group I (claims 1-23) and the claims of Group II (claim 24).

The applicant elects the claims of Group I, claims 1-23 for further prosecution. The claim of the non-elected Group, Group II, is withdrawn, as set forth in the amended claim listing herein.

Claim 1 has further been preliminary amended, as set forth herein.

In light of foregoing, the application is believed to be in condition for Examiner's substantive examination and consideration for allowance. Such early action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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